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## IN THE CLAIMS

## Please Amend Claim 1 as follows:

- 1. (Twice Amended) An apparatus for applying setting material comprising:
  - a. a container comprising
    - i. a horizontal plate having a top surface for holding such setting material, such plate having a plurality of apertures therein, such apertures being sized and shaped and of a selected number to enable a controlled amount of such setting material to pass therethrough, wherein such remaining top surface of such plate prevents such remaining setting material from passing; and
    - ii. a circumferential wall coupled to a top portion of said plate, wherein such circumferential wall extends above such plate;
  - b. at least four hollow sleeves coupled to said container; and
  - c. an adjustable leg inserted through each of said sleeves.

## New Claims: Please add new claims 10 - 22 as follows:

- 10. (New) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein said hollow sleeves are coupled to said circumferential wall of said container.
- 11. (New) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein said hollow sleeves are located above said horizontal plate.
- 12. (New) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein said hollow sleeves are substantially perpendicular to said horizontal plate.



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- 13. (New) The apparatus of claim 1, said plate having a peripheral edge, wherein said circumferential wall is coupled to said plate inward of said peripheral edge forming a circumferential plate outside such circumferential wall, wherein all of said apertures are located inside said circumferential wall.
- 14. (New) The apparatus of claim 13, wherein said hollow sleeves are located on said circumferential plate.
- 15. (New) The apparatus of claim 13, wherein said hollow sleeves are coupled to said circumferential plate of said container.
- 16. (New) The apparatus of claim 13, wherein said leg goes through said circumferential plate of said container.
- 17. (New) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein said circumferential wall is sufficiently tall to prevent such setting material from falling out of said container.
- 18. An apparatus for applying setting material comprising:
  - a. a container comprising
    - i. a substantially rectangular horizontal plate for holding such setting material, such plate having a plurality of apertures therein to enable a predetermined amount of such setting material to pass therethrough;
       and
    - ii. a circumferential wall coupled to a top portion of said plate, wherein such circumferential wall extends above such plate;



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- at least four hollow sleeves coupled to said container at approximately the
  middle of each side of said wall; and
- c. an adjustable leg inserted through each of said sleeves.
- 19. (New) The apparatus of claim 18, wherein such apertures are sized and shaped and of a selected number to enable a controlled amount of such setting material to pass therethrough.
- 20. (New) The apparatus of claim 18, said plate having a peripheral edge, wherein said circumferential wall is coupled to said plate inward of said peripheral edge forming a circumferential plate outside such circumferential wall, wherein all of said apertures are located inside said circumferential wall.
- 21. (New) The apparatus of claim 18, wherein said hollow sleeves are located on said circumferential plate.
- 22. (New) The apparatus of claim 18, wherein said leg goes through said circumferential plate of said container.

Please cancel Claim 9.

## IN-THE-DRAWINGS:

Applicants propose amending the drawings as follows: In Fig. 5A add element numbers --50-- and --55--. Add Fig. 5B.